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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## **LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

Claim 1 (currently amended) A device for injecting an intraocular lens, the device comprising a syringe body (1) in which a piston (2) is mounted, the assembly being suitable configured for handling in one hand; wherein, the device being characterized in that the body (1) is a single piece and comprises a cylindrical portion (3) capable of containing the configured to contain a lens (4) when not deformed, an injection endpiece (6), and a conical intermediate portion (5); and

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wherein an injection end of the piston comprises a plurality of fingers (10a-10b) that flex towards one another as the piston moves while simultaneously pushing the lens, and presents no opening, no auxiliary system, such as a cartridge, flap, slide, or removable endpiece,..., for loading the lens.

Claim 2 (original) A device according to claim 1, characterized in that the syringe body (1) has an internal longitudinal face that is practically plane, the cylindrical portion (3) and the conical intermediate portion (5) having sections that are approximately semicircular.

Claim 3 (currently amended) A device according to claim 1, characterized in that the injection end of the piston comprises a the plurality of fingers (10a-10b) of hard plastic material

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capable of flexing towards one another as the piston moves so as to form said fingers, after flexing towards one another, forming a cylinder that occupies practically the entire section of the an end of the body (1), while simultaneously pushing the lens.

Claim 4 (currently amended) A device according to claim 3, characterized in that the a central finger (10a) of the plurality of fingers bears constantly against the curved inside wall of the syringe body so as to limit the risk of the lens becoming jammed.

Claim 5 (currently amended) A device according to claim 3, characterized in that the <u>a</u> central finger (10a) of the plurality of fingers is wedge-shaped and is urged towards the curved wall of the syringe body under the effect of the side fingers (10b) moving towards each other.

Claim 6 (currently amended) A device according to claim 3, characterized in that the a single finger or central finger (10a) is extended by a spatula (10c) holding the lens beside the curved face of the body in the thrust space.

Claim 7 (currently amended) A device according to claim 1, wherein the piston includes a guide head and characterized by using sealing gaskets at the guide head (9); and a stopper is provided closing the an end (7) of the body so as to make it possible for the lens to be packaged directly in immersion in a liquid.

Claim 8 (currently amended) A device according to claim 7, characterized by the use of

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materials that withstand heat, to enable the <u>device and a lens</u> assembly (device plus lens) to be sterilized in an autoclave.

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Claim 9 (new) The device according to claim 1, wherein the body defines a continuous closed volume opened only at longitudinal ends of the body.

Claim 10 (new) The device according to claim 6, wherein the single finger is a central finger (10a) of the plurality of fingers.